

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS CIVIL AIR PATROL UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AUXILIARY MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, ALABAMA 36112-6332

MEMORANDUM FOR ALL CAP VOLUNTEERS

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FROM: CAP/CC

SUBJECT: Air Force Assigned Missions

- 1. Due to guidance recently received from the Air Force Legal Services Agency, I have found it necessary to issue the following, effective immediately. It is our understanding that only the following CAP missions meet the legal criteria for an <u>Air Force assigned mission</u>:
 - a. Search and rescue missions issued by AFRCC (A1)
 - b. Disaster relief missions issued by AFNSEP (A2)
 - c. Missions approved by the AF through the National Operations Center (NOC) (A3, A4, A18, B9, B10, B11, B13, B14, B18, B99, 911T)
 - d. Training missions approved by CAP-USAF LR on a CAP Form 10 (A5 except 911T, A7)
 - e. AFROTC orientation flights approved by the CAP-USAF State Director (A6)
 - f. Mission pilot proficiency flights and other training on a written training schedule approved by the CAP-USAF State Director (B12, B17)
- 2. Until further guidance is received from the Air Force, all other flights (B8, B15, B16) will be flown as <u>corporate missions</u>. However, for purposes of CAPF 18 reporting, missions will continue to be reported as stated in CAPR 60-1.
- 3. Corporate missions do not provide coverage for members under the Federal Employee Compensation Act (FECA). Therefore, if an injury or death occurs during a corporate mission, the only medical or death benefits available to the member or his/her family are corporate benefits as discussed in CAPR 900-5, namely a \$10,000 death benefit and up to \$6,000 medical expenses, subject to a \$50 deductible. There is no Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA) coverage on a corporate mission. If a non-members' property is damaged, or a non-member is injured during a corporate mission, CAP's liability insurance will cover CAP and the member in the event of a lawsuit against CAP or the member.
- 4. We understand this is a significant change in the way we have been doing business, and we are working diligently to resolve these issues. If you have any doubt or questions about mission status, please contact the NOC at (888) 211-1812.

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